

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 and 17-25 are pending in the application and claims 1-10 and 17-24 were rejected prior to the previously filed Request for Continued Examination and accompanying Response. By this supplemental response, claims 1, 6, 17, 21 and 22 have been amended. Thus, claims 1-10 and 17-25 are pending in the application. Pursuant to this supplemental response and a telephone interview conducted between Applicant's attorney and the Examiner on May 12, 2003, reconsideration of the application in view of the amended claims and further in light of the amendment accompanying the Request for Continued Examination Transmittal is herein requested.

Examiner Interview

Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for the telephone interview granted and conducted on May 12, 2003. Although no agreement was reached during such telephone interview, claim language from the previously filed amendment was discussed with respect to the perpendicular nature of the side walls relative to each inside corner, and to the geometry of each internally inclined alignment corner surface so as to define an angle of the curved arc in an entrance opening of the alignment surface, as viewed in a horizontal plane. Accordingly, amendments have been made to the independent claims 1, 17 and 21 so as to further identify the relative angles in relation to the horizontal and vertical planes. The rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§102 and 103 are believed to be overcome by the cumulative amendments presented in the last response as well as the present response, and Applicant's arguments filed in the previous response are carried forward herein. Additionally, Applicant respectfully traverses the objection to the drawings and

believes that amendments to claims previously made have overcome the objection to the drawings. Accordingly, Applicant continues to respectfully request removal of this rejection.

CONCLUSION

For all the reasons advanced above, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested. However, the Examiner has agreed to allow an interview following submission of this paper. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests a telephone interview following submission of this response and before issuance of any such subsequent action.

Respectfully submitted,

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